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SUBJECT: NATO INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECT: ICB NOTICE:
CONSTRUCTION MF AIRCRAFT SHELTERS

1. EMBASSY HAS RECEIVED ICB NOTICE PERTAINING TO CONSTRUCTION OF UP TO 83 AIRCRAFT SHELTERS AT VARIOUS RAF STATIONS IN U.K.

2. AIRCRAFT SHELTERS WILL BE APPROX. ELLIPTICAL IN SHAPE OF WHICH LEADING INTERNAL DIMENSIONS ARE: HEIGHT AT CENTER 8.36 METERS, WIDTH AT FLOOR LEVEL 21.50 METERS, LENGTH 36.40 METERS. INDIVIDUAL SHELTERS ARE COMPOSED OF ARCHES, FORMED FROM DOUBLE CORRUGATED STEEL LINER PANELS, BOLTED TOGETHER, SUPPORTED ON REINFORCED CONCRETE GROUND BEAMS AND COVERED WITH MINIMUM OF 450MM THICKNESS OF CONCRETE. REAR WALLS ARE OF REINFORCED CONCRETE WITH CLOSEABLE OPENING AND ASSOCIATED CONCRETE DEFLECTOR STRUCTURE FOR AIRCRAFT JET EXHAUST. STEEL FACED CONCRETE DOORS ARE SUPPORTED BY LATTICE STEEL FRAME RUNNING ON DUAL TRACKS IN REINFORCED CONCRETE GROUND SLAB.

3. MAIN CONTRACTOR IS TO EXCAVATE EACH SITE TO ACCURATE LEVELS, PREPARE THE CONCRETE FOUNDATIONS TO EXACT
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DIMENSIONS, CONSTRUCT THE SHELTER FLOORS AND ASSOCIATED

ADJOINING AIRCRAFT APRON HARDSTAND AREAS IN AIRCRAFT PAVEMENT QUALITY CONCRETE WITH ASPHALT RAMPS AND ALL ASSOCIATED DRAINAGE WORKS. CONTRACT WILL ALSO INCLUDE SUPPLY/ERECTION OF STEEL PANELS AND DOORS ALL TO A STRICTLY CONTROLLED PHASED PROGRAM. ELECTRICAL INSTALLATION WORKS (LIGHTING AND POWER), VENTILATION, AIRCRAFT WINCHES AND DOOR GEAR ARE INCLUDED IN SCOPE OF WORK AS NOMINATED SUB CONTRACTS FOR WHICH SEPARATE ICB NOTICES ARE BEING ISSUED.

4. RAF STATIONS CONCERNED ARE ALCONBURY, BENTWATERS, LAKENHEATH AND WOODBRIDGE. IT IS PROPOSED TO INVITE SEPARATE TENDERS FOR MAIN CONTRACTS BY APRIL 1976 FOR WORK TO START ON SITE IN AUGUST 1976. IT IS INTENDED THAT MAIN CONTRACTOR WILL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR EXECUTION OF ALL THE WORK INCLUDING STEELWORK, MECHANICAL AND ELECTRICAL WORK. THE ORDER OF COST OF THE WORKS IS 25 MILLION POUNDS.

5. ANY ADDITIONAL INFORMATION MAY BE OBTAINED FROM:
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